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*M AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5617

INFO SECDEF WASHDC /ISA/DSAA PRIORITY

CNO WASHDC/OP-63

S E C R E T BEIRUT 14143

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, LE, CE

SUBJECT: PATROL BOATS FOR GOL

REF: A. STATE 240605 (NOTAL.

B. DAO BEIRUT 722 DTG 302145Z AUG 73 (NOTAL.

C. CNO 212345Z SEP 73 (NOTAL.

D. PHONECON LTC SIDERIUS DAO BEIRUT, MR SEITZ, CNO
OP-63, 15 OCT 73.

1. WE AT LOSS TO UNDERSTAND HOW WPB CASE DEVELOPED PER
REF A. FMS CASE WAS NEVER IN COMPETITION WITH COM-
MERCIAL NEGOTIATIONS. ALTHOUGH WPB'S WERE TO BE RE-
STORED TO OPERABLE CONDITION AND QUOTES WERE REQUESTED
FOR INSTALLATION OF NEW ENGINES, UPGRADING TO TUNE OF
\$350 THOUSAND PER BOAT HAS NEVER BEEN CONTEMPLATED.

2. PER REF B, DAO REPORTED GOL INTEREST IN WPB'S EX-
CEPT THAT TRANSPORTATION COSTS QUOTED APPEARED HIGH.
PER REF C, L/O WAS CANCELLED AND NEW L/O'S WERE TO BE
ISSUED TO PROVIDE TRANS AND SUPPORT PACKAGE AND NEW EX-
PIRATION DATE OF 1 JAN 74. PER REF D TWO NEW L/O'S WERE
TO BE ISSUED, INSTEAD OF ONE, DURING WEEK OF 15 OCT WHICH
WERE TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR GOL TO HAVE CHOICE BE-
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TWEEN INSTALLING NEW ENGINES IN US OR ALTERNATELY SHIP-
PING PARTS TO LEBANON FOR IN-COUNTRY INSTALLATION. IN
ADDITION, IT WAS INDICATED THAT FAVORABLE TRANSPORTATION
COSTS COULD PROBABLY BE NEGOTIATED IF SPRING OR SUMMER

DELIVERY WERE AGREED UPON. THIS INFO WAS PASSED TO LEB
ARMY WHO EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN CASE. TO DATE,
HOWEVER, L/O'S HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED. ARMY CONTINUES
TO REQUEST WHAT IT HAS BEEN LED TO BELIEVE IS FORTHCOMING
I.E., SEPARATE LETTERS OF OFFER WHICH INCLUDE THE BOATS,
RESTORATION COSTS, SUPPORT PACKAGES, AND COSTS OF NEW
ENGINES INSTALLED ALTERNATIVELY IN THE US OR IN LEBANON.
AT SAME TIME, ARMY BEMOANS DELAY OF L/O'S ALLOWING UN-
REASONABLY SHORT TIME FOR PROCESSING PRIOR TO 1 JAN 74
EXPIRATION DATE.

3. PAYMENT IS PLANNED UNDER FY 72 FMS CREDIT AGREEMENT.
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UNCLAS BEIRUT 9520

EO 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINS LE IS
SUBJ: LEBANESE AIRLINER DETAINED IN ISRAEL

DEPT PASS USINT CAIRO

1. WE INFORMED BY LEBANESE SURETE AND BEIRUT AIRPORT
OFFICIALS THAT MEA AIRLINER CHARTERED TO IRAQI AIRLINES,
CARRYING 74 PASSENGERS INCLUDING IRAQI MINISTER OF PLANNING,
WAS INTERCEPTED BY 4 ISRAELI AIRCRAFT UPON TAKEOFF FROM BEIRUT
AIRPORT AROUND 1830Z. ACCORDING LATEST PRESS REPORT, AIRLINER
LANDED AT MILITARY AIRFIELD IN ISRAEL AND WAS ALLOWED PROCEED TO

BAGHDAD AFTER 2 HOUR STOPOVER.

2. AS OF 2200Z AIRPORT STILL OPEN AND CITY PLUS ENVIRONS ARE
QUIET. WE UNABLE CONFIRM EARLIER REPORTS OF FIRING NEAR AIRPORT.
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